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Commission, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
236 Massachusetts Avenue NE  
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RE: WC Docket No. 02-60  
Rural Health Care Pilot Program  
Texas Health Information Network Collaborative – (THINC)

Dear Commissioner:

Please accept this letter as an indication of support of the Texas Health Information Network Collaborative–(THINC) infrastructure proposal.

THINC is a statewide effort encompassing all of Texas. It will allow the rural health care providers to connect with urban medical centers, telehealth programs and services, medical education and other services by making high speed broadband access available, resulting in improved access to care, patient safety and quality and patient and clinician satisfaction.

We appreciate the Federal Communications Commission's interest in expanding the capabilities of rural health care delivery and improving the care of all Texans. If I can be of further insight or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pete P. Gallego".

Pete P. Gallego

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